

Nonimmigrant Visa Application Fee

The non-refundable NIV application fee is payable at the **Citibank office located at 17 Ngo Quyen Street, Hanoi**. Citibank is open from 8:30 – 11:30 in the morning and 1:00 – 3:30 in the afternoon, Monday through Friday. A copy of a valid passport must be presented at the time of payment. **Only U.S. dollars cash are accepted for payment of the fee.**

Under the new schedule of fees, applicants for most nonimmigrant visas, including those applying for tourist, short-term business/conference, crew/transit, media and student/exchange - B-1/B-2, C1/D, F/M/J and I visa applicants), will pay a fee of **\$140**. Applicants for petition based visas must pay an additional fee. Please see below.

Petition based visas

Applicants for **petition-based visas** will pay an additional application fee of **\$10**, for a **total of \$150**. The additional fee is payable at the U.S. Embassy Consular Section on the day of the interview. Note that the cashier at the Embassy only accepts U.S. dollars and major credit cards. Petition-based visa categories include:

- H visa for temporary workers and trainees
- L visa for intracompany transferees
- O visa for aliens with extraordinary ability
- P visa for athletes, artists and entertainers
- Q visa for international cultural exchange visitors
- R visa for religious occupations

The fee for E visas for treaty-traders and treaty-investors will be **\$390**.

Upon payment of the application fee, Citibank will provide a two-part receipt to the applicant. Both parts must be presented at the Embassy at the time of the interview. Each applicant including children must pay the fee and have a separate fee receipt. The application fee is a one-time, non-refundable fee; if you wish to transfer the fee, please contact Citibank directly.

Reciprocal Issuance Fees

Applicants may also be subject to additional visa issuance fees depending on a number of factors including visa class, applicant nationality, and the length of validity. Issuance fees are based on reciprocity with other countries. Issuance fees are only charged if the visa is issued and must be paid at the U.S. Embassy after the interview. Vietnamese citizens do not have to pay the reciprocal issuance fees. For a list of reciprocal issuance fees by country, go to

<http://www.travel.state.gov/visa/reciprocity/index.htm>.

SEVIS Fee (Additional Fee For All F, J and M Visa Visitors)

The SEVIS (Student Exchange Visitor Information System) I-901 fee is mandated by Congress to support the automated system that keeps track of students and exchange visitors to ensure that they maintain their lawful status in the United States. Each student or exchange scholar issued an initial Form I-20 or DS-2019 on or after September 1, 2004, is responsible for paying this fee before applying for a visa. Also, the visa officer must be able to verify that the relevant electronic record exists in the SEVIS database before an F-, J-, or M-class visa can be issued. SEVIS forms and electronic verification are also required for family member visas, i.e., F-2, M-2 or J-2 visas. Persons sponsored by the United States Government are exempt from payment of the SEVIS fee if their program code begins with G-1, G-2, G-3 or G-7. Most continuing students and exchange visitors will also not be required to pay the SEVIS fee.

The SEVIS fee is \$200 for students (F/M) and \$180 for exchange visitors (J1). Applicants should bring their SEVIS fee receipt to their visa interview. For instructions on how to pay the SEVIS fee, click [here](#). For general information regarding the SEVIS fee, please refer to the SEVIS website.

Please note: Any applicant appearing for his or her interview who has not paid the SEVIS fee will not be permitted to interview and will be asked to return to the Embassy at a later time with proof that the fee has been paid. **Besides, the SEVIS fee must be paid at least three business days prior to the visa interview date if paying electronically. If submitting payment through regular mail, the SEVIS fee must be paid at least 15 business days prior to the scheduled visa interview. (This time frame allows adequate time for the fee payment to be received at the DHS address listed on the Form I-901, deposited, and recorded in SEVIS.)**